

FREDERICK COUNTY, MARYLAND **JOINT INFORMATION CENTER** COVID-19



News Release

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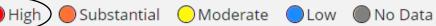
Frederick County Agency Updates for September 30, 2021

Frederick, MD

Level of Community Transmission in Frederick County, MD: HIGH



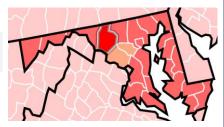








According to CDC, masks are recommended for everyone (including fully vaccinated people) in areas of substantial or high community transmission.



Frederick County Fully Vaccinated

	# Vaccinated	% of County Population
Fully Vaccinated	163,432	63.0%
1 st Doses Given	156,706	60.4%
2 nd Doses Given	146,437	56.4%
Single Doses Given	16,995	6.5%

Confirmed Cases:

23,031 (+57 in last 24 hrs)

Confirmed Deaths: 356 (+3 in last 24 hrs)

7-Day Positivity Rate: 4.74%

Frederick County residents <u>fully vaccinated</u> by age group:

% of Population	% of Population 12+	% of Population 18+	% of Population 65+
12-17 Years of Age	Years of Age	Years of Age	Years of Age
65.0%	77.3%	78.6%	91.8%

Please check our dashboard for statistics: http://FrederickCountyMD.gov/COVIDstats.

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Maryland Update

Today, Governor Hogan announced that the easiest way to know if you are eligible for a booster dose of COVID-19 vaccine is to look at your vaccination card. If it has been at least 6 months since your second dose of Pfizer vaccine, then check to see if you meet one of the following criteria:

- 65 years and older
- 18 years and older with underlying conditions including asthma, diabetes, and obesity
- 18 years and older who work and live in high-risk settings, including healthcare and grocery store workers.

Dennis Schrader from the Maryland Department of Health said that there is ample supply of Pfizer

vaccine for people who are eligible. People need to self-attest that they are in one of the eligible categories, and no proof is required.

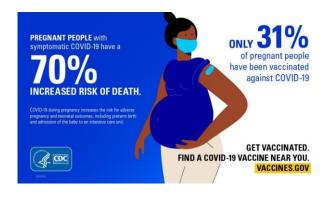
Maryland Department of Health has has started to call and text people who are eligible for booster doses from the MDGoVax Call Center. If called, individuals will be given the choice to schedule their appointment immediately. People who are eligible do not need to wait to be called to get a booster dose. Go to https://www.vaccines.gov/ for nearby options or visit https://frederickcountymd.gov/covidvaccine for upcoming health department vaccination clinics.

For more details, see Governor's press release.



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CDC Update



CDC issued an urgent health advisory to increase COVID-19 vaccination among people who are pregnant, recently pregnant, who are trying to become pregnant now, or who might become pregnant in the future to prevent serious illness, deaths, and adverse pregnancy outcomes.

Pregnant people with symptomatic COVID-19 have a 70% increased risk of death. Only 31% of pregnant people have been vaccinated against COVID-19.

Find a vaccine near you at https://www.vaccines.gov/ or upcoming health department clinics at https://frederickcountymd.gov/covidvaccine. For more information: https://bit.ly/2WmAjAU

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Trending Questions

Who in Maryland is currently eligible to get a Pfizer COVID-19 booster shot?

If you received your second Pfizer dose at least six months ago, you should strongly consider getting a booster shot. Based on the Sept. 24 CDC recommendations, all providers shall offer a Pfizer booster dose to the following:

- People 65 years and older and residents in long-term care settings,
- People aged 50–64 years with underlying medical conditions,
- People aged 18–49 years with underlying medical conditions based on their individual benefits and risks, and
- People aged 18–64 years who are at increased risk for COVID-19 exposure and transmission because of occupational or institutional setting based on their individual benefits and risks.

Patients should talk to their healthcare providers to determine individual benefits and risks of receiving a booster dose. Any Marylander who presents to a provider that they are eligible for an additional dose or a Pfizer booster dose shall be allowed to self-attest that eligibility. COVID-19 vaccine providers shall not turn away any individual who self-attests to eligibility for an additional dose or Pfizer booster dose. Failure of an individual to "show proof" of eligibility shall not be a reason that a provider does not administer an additional or booster dose.

When can healthcare workers get the COVID-19 booster shot?

The Pfizer COVID-19 booster shot is available to Marylanders aged 18–64 years who are at increased risk for COVID-19 exposure and transmission because of occupational or institutional setting based on their individual benefits and risks. For more information, please see the Sept. 24 press release.

Did Pfizer recently request FDA approval for the COVID-19 vaccine for kids 5-11 years old?

No; however, <u>Pfizer did recently announce positive results</u> from its COVID-19 vaccine trial in children 5 to 11 years old, bringing it one step closer to seeking emergency use authorization from the FDA. The trial in participants 5 to 11 years of age showed the vaccine was safe, well tolerated and had a robust neutralizing antibody response.

Did you miss last week's questions?

You can find out the answer to other trending COVID-19 vaccination <u>questions at covidLink Trending</u> <u>Questions and Answers</u>. Be sure to check out <u>covidLINK</u> for even more information on the COVID-19 vaccine, testing, and contact tracing.

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Frederick Vaccination Update

All Marylanders 12 and older are eligible to get a COVID-19 vaccination. Please note that only Pfizer

is authorized for people 12-17 years old. Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

Frederick County Health Department has clinics in a variety of locations throughout the county. This list can be found at http://frederickcountymd.gov/covidvaccine. New links are added on Mondays.

- Schedule an appointment by going to http://frederickcountymd.gov/covidvaccine or call 301-600-7900 Monday – Friday, 8am-5pm, or call 301-600-7905 for Spanish.
- For other dates/times, check out <u>Frederick Health Hospital</u> and other <u>locations</u>.
- If you need an in-home vaccination, please call 301-600-7900 to schedule.

LYFT Ride Option: Those who need a ride to get vaccinated can visit www.uwfrederick.org/rideunited for more information or can call 301-600-7900 for English or 301-600-7905 for Spanish. The first \$25 of each one-way ride is completely free to the rider.

Childcare option: KinderCare, Learning Care Group, and YMCA are all offering free child care to help parents and caregivers get vaccinated. For more information, visit the provider's website.

Date	Time	Location
Thursday, Sept. 30	4-7pm	800 Oak Street, Frederick, MD 21703 (entrance off Himes Ave. directions).
Thursday, Sept. 30	5-7pm	Brunswick, Railroad Square, Brunswick, MD 21716
Friday, Oct. 1	10am- 1pm	800 Oak Street, Frederick, MD 21703 (entrance off Himes Ave. directions).
Friday, Oct. 1	11am- 1pm	United Way's Day of Action @ Harry Grove Stadium Parking Lot 21 Stadium Dr, Frederick, MD 21703
Friday, Oct. 1	5-7pm	Thurmont, 615 E. Main St., Thurmont, MD 21788
Saturday, Oct. 2	10am- 1pm	800 Oak Street, Frederick, MD 21703 (entrance off Himes Ave. directions).
Saturday, Oct. 2	10am- 5pm	Brunswick Railroad Days 100 S Maple Ave, Brunswick MD, 21716
Sunday, Oct. 3	11am- 4pm	Brunswick Railroad Days 100 S Maple Ave, Brunswick MD, 21716
Monday, Oct. 4	1-4pm	Fredericktowne Mall 1317 W. Patrick St. Frederick, MD 21702
Tuesday, Oct. 5	4-6pm	Vigilant Hose Activity Building 17701 Creamery Rd. Emmitsburg, MD 21727
Wednesday, Oct. 6	4-6pm	Lincoln Apartments 296 Phebus Ave. Frederick, MD 21701
Wednesday, Oct. 6	4-7pm	800 Oak Street, Frederick, MD 21703 (entrance off Himes Ave. directions).
Thursday, Oct. 7	1:30- 2:30pm	Rescue Mission 419 W. South St. Frederick, MD21701

For More Information:

Frederick County residents can call 866-411-6803 to reach our local 211 center with general questions about coronavirus or COVID19. Accurate COVID-19 information is critical to the community. For the most current and accurate information about this situation, please refer to the following:

- For testing: https://covidtest.maryland.gov/
- For vaccination: http://frederickcountymd.gov/covidvaccine
- Frederick County Health Department: <u>health.frederickcountymd.gov/coronavirus</u>
- Maryland Department of Health (MDH): coronavirus.maryland.gov
- Centers for Disease Control (CDC): coronavirus.gov

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